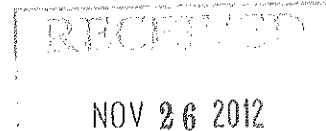


November 28, 2012

Marett, Matthew

From: Mae Soucy [REDACTED]
Sent: Saturday, November 24, 2012 4:38 PM
To: Marett, Matthew
Subject: Waiver of fee



Matthew,

I will not be able to attend the hearing on Nov. 28 because I cannot cancel my classes at UMFK this late in the semester. I would like to add the following information to my request.

On October 18, when I became aware of the radio ad the Aroostook Democratic County Committee was going to air, I checked with the Ethics Committee website for party committees.

Nowhere on that website could I find any report I was to complete except for my Oct 23 report.

I completed that report and then was informed by you of the other website and I promptly filed the required report.

The issue I wish addressed is why there is no link on the party committee page, or other information.

For example, on the part of the party form where I provided you the information, there could easily have been indication that another report was supposed to be filed.

Better than that would have been some listing of the independent expenditure form and the requirements.

In the past, party committees would not have been doing independent expenditures because they would have triggered matching funds.

Since that is no longer the case, I would think that the Ethics Committee could have been a little more proactive in promulgating the existence of a separate website, a link on the party committee site, and the immediacy of the reporting.

The \$64.24 is not the issue; it is the fact that I was trying to comply with the rules as best I could, and I was unable to.

You will note that I did not even have to file the Oct 23 report because I had not expended enough money.

I always report every six months, no matter how small the county committee funding activity is, and I pride myself on keeping accurate records, and reporting promptly.

Thank you for your assistance.

Roger A. Roy

Treasurer

Aroostook Democratic County Committee